

CATHOLIC CHURCH OF ST. MARY

Dear Parishioner,

This year, the St. Mary Annual Golf Classic will take place at Ramblewood Country Club on Sunday, September 6, 2009 at 1:00PM (shot gun start). The entry fee is \$125. This fee includes lunch (11:30AM), Green fees, cart and dinner. Dinner guests are welcome. The cost of the meal is \$30.



The St. Mary Annual Golf Outing has always been a fun day. Over it's 25 year history, we have been blessed with good, if not, great weather, with two exceptions. One day it rained and another it was cold (our last outing at Ramblewood). This year, we play during Labor Day weekend and before the Eagles' season gets underway.

During the summer months, our offertory income takes a severe hit. We depend on income from concerts, the raffle, and, the golf outing to keep us afloat. Your support in these events is appreciated and welcomed. You may become a Hole Sponsor for \$150 or a Patron for \$50.

Once again our friends at Burns Honda are sponsoring a car for a "hole in one." The prize this year is the 2010 Honda Insight, whose sophisticated gasoline-electric powertrain lets you get up to an estimated 43 mpg on the highway.



We look forward to a great September event.

Peace,
Fr. John

The Golf Committee

Mary and Jack Byrne
Hakan Dahlgren
Jim Doyle, Sr.
Dr. Louis Keeler
Leeann Olson

Augie Campiglia
Jerry McCann
Tom Gorman
Fr. John Killeen
Russ Thurber

Ken Coen
Eve and Cos Contento
Lou Hamilton
John Koper
Adrian Shaw



Religious Education Important News

Registration for St. Mary Religious Education program for the 2009-2010 Sessions is underway. Remember, Classes are assigned on a first-come, first served basis. So, get your forms to us ASAP. Registration forms have been mailed to all registered families with children currently in the program as well as those with children ready to begin the program. Extra copies of the registration form are also available in the Gathering Space and the Religious Education Office.

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You are invited to serve our parish as a Catechist (Teacher) in our Religious Education Program for the 2009-2010 year. Please prayerfully consider joining this ministry to model Christ's teachings for our children. Details regarding the "open" grade levels and days will follow in the coming weeks' bulletins. For more information, please call (856) 424-2679 or email stmaryreligiouseducation.verizon.net.

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Classes for 2009 – 2010 will be held in St. Mary Hall:

Grades 1 - 4 Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday 4:30 to 5:30PM

Grades 5 - 7 Tuesday, Wednesday 6:30 to 7:45PM.

Grade 8 Monday from 6:30PM until 7:45PM.

Pre K and K will be held on Sundays at 10:00AM in the Hall.

May 26, 2009 7:30PM Confirmation Rehearsal

May 31, 2009 2:00PM Confirmation

BAPTISM



Sunday, June 21, 2009 12 Noon

Sunday, July 19, 2009 12 Noon

Sunday, August 16, 2009 12 Noon

BAPTISM PREPARATION: All Baptism Preparation sessions are held on the first Tuesday of the month from 7:00PM-8:00PM in the Parish Center Meeting Room. Parents must attend. Sponsors are welcome. Please call the Parish Center to make arrangements.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN PRAYER:

Tillie Seeba

Mother of John, Joan, Linda, Walter

Edward C Schneider, Jr.

Husband of Mary, Father of Mark, Maryellen, Judith

AND ALL THOSE WHO MOURN FOR THEM

KAYLA DEFEO BLOOD DRIVE IS THIS WEEK!

LAST CHANCE TO SIGN-UP

The Blood Drive in honor of five-year old leukemia survivor and fellow parishioner, Kayla DeFeo will be held in our Parish Hall on this coming Wednesday, May 27, 2009 from 1:30PM to 7:30PM. Donors are needed to replenish the Red Cross Blood supply and help cancer patients like Kayla. Please sign up to donate when called or in the Gathering Space after Masses today. You may also call Debby DeFeo at 856-722-1011 to register for a time slot.



HOUSE OF CHARITY/ BISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL

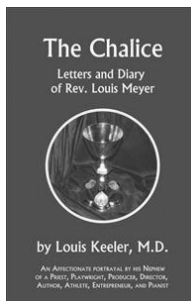
This past week was somewhat slow in

responses. To date, we have \$85,125 in cash and pledges toward our \$100,000 goal. There are many pledge cards throughout the parish waiting to be completed. The old adage that "many hands make light work" applies to our parish once again making our designated goal. Please help if you are in a position to do so. Demands upon charitable outreaches are greater than ever during this financially difficult time for many people.

Gratefully, Fr. John, Len Bednar,

Tom Milan, Kate Sheerin

BOOK SIGNING



many of you are aware that parishioner Dr. Louis Keeler M.D. has recently published a book entitled "The Chalice." The book is a biography on the life of Rev. Louis Meyer, who died on Good Friday in 1985. Fr. Meyer was Dr. Keeler's uncle. A book signing will be held at St. Mary Church after all Masses on June 6th and 7th.

Thank You

The Pro-Life committee would like to thank everyone who made a donation or bought carnations on Mother's Day to benefit 1st Way of Collingswood (formerly Birthright). They are very appreciative of what we send to them. The total collected from the sale was \$276.00

Please Remember to bring back your Baby Bottle on Father's Day for the benefit of St. John's Pre-Natal Clinic in Camden. Your generosity is greatly appreciated.

Mass Intentions

Monday, May 25, 2009

8:00 AM **Gena Junier**
by: Parents, Anna and Joseph Junier

Tuesday, May 26, 2009

8:00 AM **Mary C Cornelio**
by: Mary and Jack Connor

Wednesday, May 27, 2009

8:00 AM **Elizabeth Brennan**
by: St. Mary Eucharistic Ministers

Thursday, May 28, 2009

8:00AM **Deceased Members of the Van Belle Family**
by: The Children

Friday, May 29, 2009

8:00 AM **Cristina Garcia**
by: Denise Woehler
Bill Wells
by: Augie and Sally Campiglia
Maria Tisa
by: Dr. and Mrs. Joel Porter

Amado and Antonina Tolentino

by: Alex and Mila Cueto

Joseph Daniero

by: The Daniero Family

Joseph Murphy

by: The Daniero Family

Saturday, May 30, 2009

5:00 PM **Jack Olson**
by: Wife, Pat

Sunday, May 31, 2009

8:00 AM **Jane Leatham**
by: Husband, Mike

10:00AM **People of the Parish**

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK:

Ruben N Alvarez, John & Mary Lou Baird, Tate Balcarek, Marie Bantivoglio, Dolores Bauer, Elizabeth Belli, John Brach, Jim Brady, Walter Burnes, Roger Butler, Mary Byrne, Nemesio Cabalo, Connie Chiolo, Anthony Ciarroccki, Jimmy Contento, Pam Crocetti, Kayla DeFeo, Frank Dolan, Eileen Edwards, Catherine Faccine, Helen Galiano, Terri Gannon, Brian Geary, Joe Garofalo, Michael Garrity, Colin Patrick Grady, Lucille Gross, Helene Haney, Michele Hayes, Laurie James, Dolores Kozielski, Fred La Rosa, Julie Leonard, Ingrid Lodato, Caitlin Martin, Ann McIlroy, Tom McKenna, Perfecto Moulic, Michael Piazza, Patty Plunkett, Baby Bryanna Ramirez, Jim & Tony Ray, Kathy Roman, Carolyn Rutkowski, Anthony Russo Sr, Joseph Ragusa, Marie Smith, Helen Szymczak, Dr Edgar Valle, Robert Waite.



MEMORIAL DAY

On Monday, May 25, 2009, our Parish Office will be closed in observance of Memorial Day. The Office will re-open on Tuesday, May 26 at 8:30AM



for May 30th – May 31st

5:00 PM Fr. John

Altar Servers: M Borucki, M Helfrich, M Keen

Lectors: P Esbrandt, M Rowles

Special Ministers of Holy Communion: J Byrne, M Byrne, F Dollarton, J Waite, E Yoo

8:00AM Fr Ruggles

Altar Servers: M K Courduff, C Fyfe, E Fyfe

Lectors: T Clerici, H Schmidt

Special Ministers of Holy Communion: G Coen, K Coen, M Dell, R Murphy, B Wall

10:00AM Fr. Ruggles

Altar Servers: K Boyle, B Morgan, R Morgan

Lectors: S Baratta, T Cost

Special Ministers of Holy Communion: L Ciccone, C Forlastro, P Gall, M Gilbert, C McKenna, S Palladinetti, M Wellner

MILITARY PRAYER LIST

US Army: Col. Lars Braun, Capt. Alex F. Katauskas Sgt. David Marnell, Sgt. Frank Renna, Infantry, Sgt. Peter Roethke, Ranger, Capt. Doug Sackett, PFC Christopher Vassey, Sgt. John David Vozzelli, Lt. Joseph Weston, Jr., LTC Sherene L Williams, Pvt. Christopher Worthington, **US Navy:** E4 Bob Moeller, Ryan E. Gager, Lt. Grahm Gill **JG USAF:** Thomas Clerici, Capt. John W. Ginn (Pilot), David J Wagner, Jr. **USMC:** PFC Ryan Bridge, Thomas Grace, Michelle I. Ryan, Sean P. Ryan, Adam Ardire, Justin Keleher

If you have someone's name you would like added to this list, please call 856-424-1454

OFFERING REPORT

May 18, 2008	\$9,253.00
May 17, 2009	\$9,311.00
Increase	\$58 or 063%
Envelopes:	243
Weekly expense:	\$ 11,000.00
Parish Indebtedness:	\$92,805.00

South Jersey Walk-a-Thon

Please join us on Saturday May 30, 2009 for a walk, organized by Good Counsel Homes, in support of homeless women and their born and pre-born children. Place: Haddon Heights Park, Time: 9AM to 12 NOON Registration: 8:30 to 10:00AM. Contact: Ann Fleming at (856-686-1885) or flemingsbeechhouse@yahoo.com. Also, contact Brenda Quinn at olvbquinn@aol.com (856-423-3468).





VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL IS COMING!

It is officially time for your children to be enrolled in our summer program. We have great fun planned for all! Children will develop a better understanding of their relationships with themselves, others, and especially Jesus. We have activities and classes for children age 4 through Grade 6. Vacation Bible School will be held July 27 through July 31 from 9:00AM until 12 Noon. The cost is \$28.00 for materials plus a tee shirt. Registration forms can be picked up at the Parish Center from 8:30AM until 4:00PM. For more information, please call the Parish Center at (856) 424-1454.

Cherry Hill Food and Outreach Council – Food Drive

May is St. Mary's turn to collect non-perishable food for the Cherry Hill Food Pantry. Items always needed include: peanut butter, jelly, canned fruit, canned tuna, canned chicken, canned salmon, beef stew or other meals in a can, hearty soups, spaghetti sauce, cereals (Cheerios, Rice Krispies, Special K, Raisin Brain, Corn and Rice Chex), pancake mix, maple syrup, jelly, potato buds, juices, cream of mushroom or chicken soup, rice, rice meals, pasta, spaghetti. The Cherry Hill Food Pantry often has requests for personal items such as toothpaste, deodorant, shampoo and toilet paper. Your donations are greatly appreciated. Total client visits increased from 910 in 2007 to 2751 in 2008. The number of children served increased from 330 in 2007 to 565 in 2008. The total number of bags distributed increased from 3,640 in 2007 to 9,900 in 2008. Each of you are a part of this worthwhile community service project. Thank you for your continued participation.

G.I.F.T Book Discussion Group

June 1st : "The Mother of James and John"

Our GIFT ministry has embarked on an exploration and discussion of "The Jesus Women" by Marci Alborghetti; twelve extraordinary first-person narratives from women who were contemporaries of Jesus.

We will discuss one chapter/woman at a time – once a month on the First Monday at 1:00pm in Room 102 of the parish hall. (Chapters only run about 8-10 pages – doable even for the busiest person).

Next month's discussion will be on: "**The Mother of James and John**" "Think politics and power plays are new to the world? Come and meet the first recorded "stage mother". Books are available for purchase. For more information, please contact our Pastoral Associate, Kathleen. See you there!

HELP WANTED -

A "live in" companion and helper needed for a family in the Cherry Hill area. Interested persons are asked to call Judy at (856) 235-0287



I thank Marie Bantivolgio for purchasing the flower plants for St. Mary Parish Grounds for the spring/summer seasons. I likewise thank all those who helped plant them on Monday, May 18th and Tuesday, May 19th. Our thanks to Sally and Augie Campiglia, Maria Trump, Lauren Adderly, Denny Harvey, Bill Turner, Carol and Bill Grady, Margie Dell, Trix Eleazar and Martin Keoughan. Gratefully, Fr. John

KNITTERS AND CROCHETERS

Our prayer shawl circle is going strong and we'd love to have more members. We meet in the Parish Hall (Room 103) typically two Thursdays a month from 1:00PM - 3:00PM. Upcoming dates are as follows: June 4th and 14th. Come share your talents with this wonderful ministry. If you have any questions, please call Lisa O'Shea at (856) 874-9396.

SUMMER MASS SCHEDULE

Effective May 31, 2009 (Memorial Day Weekend) to September 6, 2009 (Labor Day Weekend) the schedule of Masses on Sunday will be 8:00AM and 10:00AM only. The 11:30AM is discontinued during the summer months. The 5:00PM on Saturday remains unchanged.

LITURGY SUGGESTION BOX!

That little box on the table in the Gathering Space, marked "Faith Matters" is now a convenient drop-off point for your suggestions and comments as to how we can make our Parish Liturgies more prayerful, dignified, more worthy of the Presence of the Lord in, with and through His People! What are we doing right? What can we improve on? Please give us your *personal* thoughts. We want details, details, details! Please let us know your suggestions and thoughts. Our priests and liturgy committee will take up each suggestion at our meetings on the first Tuesday of every month. The box will continue to be available on the table also for any faith questions you may have. So either way, stand up and be heard. Fill up our Faith Question/Liturgy Suggestion Box! Kathleen Rando.

Parish Petition Book

A book for personal intentions can be found on a stand next to the entrance of the Chapel. Our parish community will remember those prayer intentions that you write in all our daily and Sunday celebrations of the Eucharist. May we all continue to keep each other in prayer every day.

Parish Calendar of Events

May 31, 2009	2:00PM Sacrament of Confirmation, (Church)
June 1, 2009	1:00PM G.I.F.T. Movie Club, Room 102, (Hall), (The Mother of James and John) 7:00PM Youth Group Meeting, Room 104, (Hall)
June 2, 2009	7:00PM Baptism Preparation Class, Meeting Room
June 3, 2009	7:30 PM Adult Choir Rehearsal, (Church)
June 4, 2009	1:00PM Prayer Shawl Meeting, Room 103, (Hall)
June 7, 2009	8:00AM and 10:00AM Masses, Refreshment Team "The Music Ministry"
June 8, 2009	7:00PM Youth Group Meeting, Room 104, (Hall) 7:30PM Social Justice, Room 103, (Hall)
June 9, 2009	1:00PM Seniors Social, (Hall) 7:30PM Liturgy Meeting, (Meeting Room) 8:00PM Knights of Columbus Meeting, Room 105, (Hall)
June 10, 2009	7:30PM Adult Choir Rehearsal (Church)
June 13, 2009	10:30AM Dr. Louis and Morrie Keeler 50 th Anniversary Mass, (Church) 5:00PM Fr. John's 50 th Anniversary Mass, (Church)
June 14, 2009	8:00AM and 10:00AM Masses, Refreshment Team "Religious Education Catechists"

In His Sign Network is sponsoring a weekend healing retreat at the Malvern Retreat House, PA on May 29 – 31. Directed by Kathleen McCarthy, Fr. Bill Halbing and Fr. John McFadden, this powerful retreat is entitled, *In the Name of Jesus, the Nazarene, Rise Up and Walk*. The weekend will include inspirational life-changing talks, healing services, Sacred Scriptures, reconciliation and Eucharistic Adoration. For additional information, please contact 610-527-2906.

Resurrection School Registration

2009-2010 Registrations are now being accepted for Kindergarten thru 8th Grade. K thru 8th grade tours are given on Thursdays, at 9:30AM. Preschool Tours are given on Wednesdays, at 9:45AM. Please call Mrs. Alli Smith in the Advancement Office for an appointment at (856) 667-3034, ext. 227.

Staying Alive Walk – A Campaign to Prevent Suicide

On May 31, 2009, a Suicide Prevention Walk will be held at Challenge Grove Park in Cherry Hill at 10:00AM. The park is located on the corner of Caldwell and Brace Roads along Borton Mill Road. All proceeds will benefit CONTACT Community Helplines' free 24-hour Crisis Hotline. Suicide is the fourth leading cause of death in the United States, however, it is a preventable public health problem. Registration is \$5.00 with no advance registration required. For more information, contact Kathy Banner at (856) 482-2319 or CONTACT Community Helplines at (856) 795-5073.

PRAYER SERVICE

On Sunday, June 7, 2009, at Christ the King Church, 200 Windsor Avenue, Haddonfield, NJ, at 3:00PM, Bishop Galante will join other Christian bishops, ministers and dignitaries from various denominations including Methodist Bishop Sudarshana Devadhar, Presbyterian Reverend Dr. Deborah G Brincivalli, and others for an afternoon of united prayer. The Ecumenical Prayer theme for 2009 is "**That they may become one in your hand.**" All are invited to attend the prayer service and refreshments will be provided in Morgan Hall (lower level of the church building) afterwards. For more information, contact Sr. Rosaline at (856) 429-1600.

PARENTING POINTERS

"On the seventh day God rested." (Genesis 2:3) With our fast-paced, busy lives it's tempting to crowd the weekends with shopping and catching up on home repairs. That's what Saturdays are for. Consider saving Sundays for worship and re-creating your spirits. Do something fun with your kids (not the mall). Resist non-essential work this Sunday. Repeat, if you can.



We are a light
to each other